Introduced by Senator Cedillo

January 20, 2004

An act to amend Section 12816 or the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1139, as introduced, Cedillo. Vehicles: driver's licenses: renewal.

Existing law requires renewal of a driver's license to be made for a term that expires on the 5th birthday of the applicant following the expiration of the license renewed, if application for renewal is made within 6 months prior to the expiration of the license to be renewed, or within 90 days after expiration of the license. If renewal is not applied for within 90 days after expiration of the license, the application and fee is considered the same as an application for an original license.

This bill would decrease the specified 90-day period to 60 days.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12816 of the Vehicle Code is amended 2 to read:
- 3 12816. (a) Every original driver's license expires on the fifth birthday of the applicant following the date of the application for the license.
- 6 (b) Renewal of a driver's license shall be made for a term which 7 that expires on the fifth birthday of the applicant following the 8 expiration of the license renewed, if application for renewal is

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made within six months prior to the expiration of the license to be renewed, or within 90 60 days after expiration of the license. If renewal is not applied for within 90 60 days after expiration of the license, the application and fee is considered the same as an application for an original license.

- (c) The department may accept application for a renewal of a driver's license made more than six months prior to the date of expiration. The renewal shall be made for a term which that expires on the fifth birthday of the applicant following the date of the application for the renewal license.
- (d) The department may accept an application for a license of a different class made more than six months before the expiration of the license previously issued, if the previously issued license is surrendered for cancellation in accordance with Section 13100. The driver's license issued from that application expires on the fifth birthday of the applicant following the date of the application.
- (e) Notwithstanding subdivisions (a), (b), (c), and (d), the department may adjust the expiration date for any driver's license issued pursuant to under this code.